our efforts to bring justice to the victims of Fidel Castro's totalitarian regime in Cuba.

Well, while they are at it, why don't they just impose visa requirements on our NATO soldiers stationed across Europe. And our soldiers deployed in Bosnia, too.

Mr. Speaker, if that's the game the Europeans want to play, we'll be glad to bring our troops home and let the Europeans foot the cost of keeping peace on their continent.

Mr. Speaker, the Europeans should know that many Americans are fed up with having to clean up other people's messes in places like Bosnia, and paying for it in American lives and billions of dollars.

Now I take a back seat to no one in desiring to maintain strong relations with our European allies, Mr. Speaker. But enough is enough. If the Europeans want to continue to prop up Fidel Castro and then turn around and thumb their noses at us, they had better know that they can expect a reaction from the American people.

# DIOCESE OF GAYLORD SILVER ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 1996

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to the attention to this House and the entire Nation the 25th anniversary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Gaylord, Ml. His Holiness, Pope Paul VI, established the Gaylord Diocese on July 20, 1971. On July 21, 1996 a special liturgical celebration will be held at the Cathedral of St. Mary Our Lady of Mount Carmel to commemorate the establishment of this diocese.

The Diocese of Gaylord was created from the separation of territories originally part of the Saginaw and Grand Rapids Dioceses. The new diocese covered 21 of the most beautiful counties in northern Michigan. In 1971 the diocese had a total population of 288,556 and a Roman Catholic population of 66,000. At the age of 43, Edmund Szoka from the Diocese of Marquette became the youngest bishop in the Nation. With 83 parishes under his charge, Bishop Szoka embraced the motto "To Live in Faith." Through many hours of hard work and cooperation with the residing priests and congregations Bishop Szoka was able to bring the separate parishes together in love, prayer and community. Bishop Szoka stayed with the Diocese of Gaylord for 10 years. In 1981 he left the area for new assignments. When asked about the silver anniversary, Edmund Szoka, now a cardinal, said that even though he left 15 years ago "a great part of [his] heart remains and always will remain in the Diocese of Gaylord."

When Cardinal Szoka left the Diocese he was replaced by Bishop Robert Rose. Bishop Rose served the diocese for 8 years before moving south to the Grand Rapids' Diocese. The current bishop, Patrick Cooney, was installed in the Diocese of Gaylord as the third bishop on January 28, 1990. The oldest child of a very religious family, Bishop Cooney has spent his life learning the way of and serving

the Lord. Bishop Cooney attended the Sacred Heart Seminary College of Detroit and the Gregorian University in Rome, studying philosophy and theology. After returning to Detroit from Rome Bishop Cooney decided to pursue his love for liturgy and entered the University of Notre Dame to pursue a graduate degree in liturgical research.

Under Bishop Cooney's care, the diocese has grown stronger through the hard work and dedication of the priests, nuns, secretariats, and most importantly, the lay members. We see the formation of the first Diocesan Pastoral Council in 1993 as an example of this dedication. Made up of clergy, religious, lay men and women from all over the Diocese. the council meets with the Bishop several times a year to discuss issues affecting the Church. Today the Diocese of Gaylord has grown to include 87.000 Roman Catholics, 75 priests, and 82 parishes. On October 5, 1996, the Fifth Annual Diocesan Conference will be held with the theme "Remember and Remembering" to discuss ways to strengthen the church by involving members who have slipped away and by introducing the church to new members. Following the conference there will be a youth rally. The goal of the rally, at which 350 teens are expected, is to strengthen the membership of a younger generation to keep the church strong in the future.

On July 21, 1996, the Diocesan Liturgical Celebration will be held at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord. Among those attending will be Cardinal Szoka and Bishop Rose, the Apostolic Pro-Nuncio to the United States, Agostino Cacciavillan, Cardinal Adam Maida of the Archdiocese of Detroit, a number of bishops and priests from Michigan and Ohio and nearly 2,000 members from the 82 parishes invited.

Mr. Speaker, the last 25 years have been a time for growth and discovery for the Diocese of Gaylord. The clergy and congregations of the 82 parishes in northern Michigan have come together to make this new diocese a place of prayer, hope, and faith. The diocese has come to be a community in which love and fellowship is witnessed on a daily basis. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Catholic community and the entire Nation, I would like to congratulate the Diocese of Gaylord on 25 glorious years.

## A TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM STATES LEE

## HON. SUE MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 1996

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an old friend and outstanding hero of North Carolina who passed away last week. William "Bill" States Lee was a model citizen who continually gave of himself for his country, community, friends, and family.

Bill Lee was the former chairman and chief executive officer of the Duke Power Co. based in Charlotte, NC. A native of Charlotte and the grandson of Duke Power's first engineer, Bill joined Duke Power in 1955 as a junior designer. He worked his way up through the ranks and, in 1982, he became chairman and

chief executive officer. In 1989, he was named chairman and president of Duke Power. Upon his retirement in 1994, Bill Lee became Duke Power's first chairman emeritus.

Bill Lee was best known professionally for his work in the field of nuclear power. He was the former chairman of the board of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations. He was also a catalyst in the founding of the World Association of Nuclear Operators, where he was named its first president in May 1989. The Charlotte Observer referred to Bill as "perhaps the foremost international consultant in, and statesman and diplomat for, the nuclear power industry."

Prior to his service to Duke Power, Bill graduated from Princeton University as Phi Beta Kappa and magna cum laude in civil engineering. He served in the U.S. Navy Civil Engineering Corp from 1951 to 1955, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. Also, Bill received honorary doctorates from the University of South Carolina, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Johnson C. Smith University, Davidson College, and Clemson University.

Despite Bill Lee's many professional accomplishments, he also made a powerful contribution to the Charlotte community. A family man, with his wife Jan and their three children, Bill was an elder at Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, where he even found time to teach Sunday school. He also served as a trustee to the Harris Foundation, the North Carolina Blumenthal Performing Arts Center at Charlotte Foundation, the Presbyterian Hospital Foundation, Queens College, and the conference board at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte Foundation.

I would also like to add that I lost a close and dear friend. Bill Lee's humor and charm were contagious to everybody around him. He was also one of the most giving people I have ever met. During my tenure as mayor of Charlotte, he was one of the people who helped our community recover from the disaster of Hurricane Hugo. On behalf of all of the millions of people whose lives are better because of Bill Lee's work, I extend my deepest sympathies to his wife Jan, and his entire family.

Finally, I have taken the liberty of attaching a poem that Bill's daughter, Lisa Lee-Morgan, wrote for her father and read at his funeral. Bill, we will miss you.

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Star-spangled man, nor mere planet But a sun, a body fused By Proteus. Self-generating source of power, Shining light, hour on hour. Rush! wind, water, coal and coil, Quick! Split the atom, fuse the soil. Don't ever stop, embrace the toil, Christ-man, His disciple loyal. Blue eves blazed like shooting stars Beneath the lightening brows of Zeus They let us know we'd his attention. (For better or worse I'll mention) Lover, hunter, father, friend, Bully, preacher, Charlotte's kin. Forgive us for we know not how To tread the step he's led til now. This warrior stood to lead the fight Against the dying of the light. The closing mind, the fading hope, The grasping hand, could find no grope In Bill Lee's camp, upon the lake Where children frolic, swim and play. He was our star, bright gravity Round whom we danced til God took Lee.

JACK JACQUA, JOE MARSHALL OF OMEGA BOYS CLUB

## HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 18, 1996

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Jack Jacqua and Joe Marshall of the Omega Boys Club in San Francisco on their recent award of the National Education Association's Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Award.

The unrelenting determination and perseverance and faith of these two extraordinary men have succeeded in building the Omega Boys' Club from 15 members to 500 since the club's inception in 1987.

The Omega Boys' Club motivates at-risk youth to reject violence, succeed academically, gain adminission to college, offers employment and entrepreneurship training, adult and peer counseling, and affords them and important support network to get them off the streets and onto a successful life through higher learning.

One hundred members of the Omega Boys' Club are currently enrolled at institutions of higher learning throughout the country. Omega not only helped them achieve the funding to go to school, it also gave them the tools, the skills and the support network essential to achieve great things.

Jack Jacqua has been described as a surrogate father to many Potrero Hill families. Coming to Potrero Hill Middle School in 1973, he was compelled to challenge the drift afflicting students receiving the least encouragement and attention. "I'd like to see their lives have purpose and direction \* \* \* All they need is for someone to care."

Joe Marshall, co-founder and father of the Omega Boys Club, hosts a weekly radio talk show for at risk youth and tours the country telling the inspirational Omega story. His belief and commitment to young people knows no limits, and at-risk youth have thrived under his care and direction.

These two men are heroes in the tradition of Martin Luther King, Jr.—recognized leaders who utilize outreach, education, and counseling to show young people that there are worthy alternatives to violence in their communities.

Mr. Speaker, I salute Jack and Joe and wish them all the best as they continue their important, award-winning work with youth at the Omega Boys Club. This award is just one of many they greatly deserve for turning the lives of at-risk young people around.

U.S. JUDGE ROBERT E. COYLE: DISTINGUISHED SERVICE RECOG-NIZED

#### HON. GEORGE P. RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 1996

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, my friend and Government colleague, U.S. District Judge Robert E. Coyle, recently assumed senior status, after distinguished service as chief judge of the Eastern District of California.

Those who know Judge Coyle well from having practiced with him in his earlier law ca-

reer and later having appeared before him as a Federal judge are unstinting in their praise of his dedication to legal excellence. Indeed, in recognition of those qualities which distinguish Judge Coyle, a group of lawyers from my 19th Congressional District recently sent a letter to me that relates their sentiments.

I take pleasure in making that expression a part of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD as well as adding my own tribute to Judge Coyle for the splendid service he continues to give his community and our country.

Re Honorable Robert E. Coyle.

DEAR GEORGE: The undersigned are all active members of the California Bar and admitted to practice before the Eastern District of California. Each of us has a significant federal practice.

We know that you are aware that Robert E. Coyle who served as Chief Judge of the Eastern District of California recently accepted senior status.

We believe that Judge Coyle's many years of dedicated public and civic service, his commitment to justice and fairness, his fabulous career as a lawyer and counselor—as well as his zeal for improved courtroom facilities to serve the public—and service to the community, are all deserving of recognition.

As you probably know, Bob Coyle is a native Fresnan. He attended local public schools and graduated from Fresno State University where he was the student body president.

Judge Coyle went on to Hastings College of the Law and from there to the Fresno County District Attorney's Office.

After leaving the D.A.'s Office, Bob joined what became McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Coyle & Best (now McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte & Carruth) and quickly became a respected counselor of law.

Judge Coyle began his service on the federal bench after President Ronald Reagan nominated him and he was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 1982. He became Chief Judge in 1990.

Judge Coyle, before whom all of us have appeared on many occasions, is a thoughtful, impartial, insightful and thoroughly prepared judge. Litigants and counsel are treated with respect in his courtroom and are given full opportunity to be heard. Additionally, those appearing before Judge Coyle are also benefitted by his considerable quick wit and sense of humor.

Judge Coyle has presided over many of the most complex and controversial matters presented to the federal courts in our area. His excellence as a legal scholar and adjudicator is well known in our community.

We respectfully request that these considerable accomplishments be made known through the United States by publishing this brief summary of Judge Coyle's career in the Congressional Record so that the citizens of this great land will learn more of the incredible contributions this man has made to our country.

Respectfully yours,

John H. Baker, Val W. Saldana, Donald R. Fischbach, Richard C. Watters, Lawrence E. Wayte, Lowell T. Carruth, Riley C. Walter, Michelle Belanger McNair, Debra J. Kazanjian. IN MEMORY OF PAM LYNCHNER, VICTIM OF TWA FLIGHT 800

#### HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 1996

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of the victims of TWA flight 800, which crashed last night off Long Island, NY. Pam Lynchner, a Houstonian, was the founder and past president of Justice For All, a victims' rights organization. Mrs. Lynchner founded Justice For all in 1993, and it soon became the largest criminal justice reform organization in the State of Texas.

Mrs. Lynchner was a tireless advocate for the victims of violent crime. As a crime victim herself, Mrs. Lynchner dedicated her life to ensuring that victims' rights were protected and their voices heard. She was particularly adept at helping others work their way through the criminal justice system. Her efforts on behalf of other crime victims earned her numerous awards and a place as a national spokesperson for victims' rights.

Mrs. Lynchner served as a role model for the thousands of victims of violent crime. Her compassion, her dedication, and her enthusiasm will be sorely missed, but we as a society are better off because of what she contributed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Lynchner's family, especially her husband Joe at this difficult time.

SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOMBING OF THE AMIA JEWISH COMMUNITY BUILDING

### HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 1996

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on the second anniversary of the terrorist bombing of the AMIA Jewish community building in Buenos Aires to pay my respects to the hundreds of victims who perished or were wounded in the attack. My profound condolences go out to their family members whose grief remains unrelieved as all efforts to bring the terrorist perpetrators to justice have been fruitless.

That the second anniversary of this atrocity will pass with the terrorists still at large sends a potent message that this tragic episode demands our immediate and renewed attention. Although there is reason to be encouraged by the recent incarceration of several police officers in relation to the bombing, the case is far from a satisfactory resolution.

Regretfully, new and disturbing news has begun to surface as the investigation proceeds. It has been reported that Argentine Minister of Justice Rodolfo Barra, an official directly responsible for the investigation, was forced to leave his post after it was discovered that he was involved in an extremist, anti-Semitic organization in his youth. Furthermore, authorities in Buenos Aires have denied the families of the victims the right to place a memorial sculpture near the Argentine Supreme Court. All in all, I am concerned that the Argentinean Government is not pursuing the terrorist criminals in the most vigorous fashion.